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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

February 10, 2005

Sir:

I. Introduction

Applicant respectfully requests the granting of a filing date to this application. This application is a §371 application depending from PCT/EP2003/008704 filed on August 6, 2003. Favorable action is solicited. In the event any fees are required with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2334.